

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

SHANETHIA MCNEAL,

Plaintiff

v.

F.M.W.C.C.,

Defendant

Case No. 2:24-cv-01603-APG-DJA

**ORDER****I. DISCUSSION**

On September 24, 2024, the Court gave Plaintiff until November 20, 2024, to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pay the \$405 filing fee. (ECF No. 3). Plaintiff has filed an incomplete financial certificate, but she has not filed an application proceed *in forma pauperis* or a copy of her prison trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period. (ECF No. 4).

The United States District Court for the District of Nevada must collect filing fees from parties initiating civil actions. 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). The fee for filing a civil-rights action is \$405, which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$55 administrative fee. See 28 U.S.C. § 1914(b). “Any person who is unable to prepay the fees in a civil case may apply to the court for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*.” Nev. Loc. R. Prac. LSR 1-1. For an inmate to apply for *in forma pauperis* status, the inmate must submit **all three** of the following documents to the Court: (1) a completed **Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate**, which is pages 1–3 of the Court’s approved form, that is properly signed by the inmate twice on page 3; (2) a completed **Financial Certificate**, which is page 4 of the Court’s approved form, that is properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official; and (3) a copy of the **inmate’s prison or jail trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period**. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1)–(2); Nev. Loc. R. Prac. LSR 1-2. *In forma pauperis* status does not relieve an inmate of his or her obligation to pay the filing fee, it just means that the inmate can pay the fee in installments.

1 See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b). The Court will grant Plaintiff one final extension of time until  
2 **January 6, 2025**, to either pay the filing fee or file a complete application to proceed *in*  
3 *forma pauperis*.

4 **II. CONCLUSION**

5 For the foregoing reasons, it is ordered that the Clerk of the Court will send Plaintiff  
6 the approved form application to proceed *in forma pauperis* by an inmate, as well as the  
7 document entitled information and instructions for filing an *in forma pauperis* application.

8 It is further ordered that Plaintiff has **until January 6, 2025**, to either pay the full  
9 \$405 filing fee or file a complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

10 Plaintiff is cautioned that this action will be subject to dismissal without prejudice if  
11 Plaintiff fails to timely comply with this order. A dismissal without prejudice allows Plaintiff  
12 to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff can file a  
13 complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pay the required filing fee.

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15 DATED THIS 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.



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